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OIL SEEDS PRODUCTION
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it has become necessary to increase oil seeds production to protect the oil industry;

(b) if so, whether the Government propose to take any concrete steps to increase oil seeds production;

(c) if so, the details thereof and the time by which it is likely to be implemented; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a)to(c): In order to increase the production of oilseeds in the country and to make the country self sufficient in oilseeds/edible oils, Govt. of India is implementing a Centrally Sponsored Oilseeds Production Programme (OPP) in 28 States covering 408 selected districts. Under this scheme, financial assistance is provided on various inputs like production and distribution of seeds, distribution of seed minikits, distribution of improved farm implements, sprinkler sets, rhyzobium culture and micro nutrients etc.. In order to disseminate the production technology amongst the farmers frontline demonstrations are organized by the I.C.A.R.Besides, block and integrated pest management demonstrations are also organized through State Department of Agriculture.

(d): Question does not arise.